

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2003 – 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationwide. Nationally 49 new fires were reported. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Colorado and Utah.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

PARADISE 2, Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park. This wildland fire, previously reported as part of the Kaweah-Kern Complex, is in mixed conifer and chaparral, seven miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. No significant change occurred.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PARADISE 2	CA	KNP	647	40	11/15	106	3	1	1	0	1.1M
SUMMIT COMPLEX – WFU	CA	INF	6,146	N/A	N/A	9	0	0	0	0	421K
KAWEAH-KERN COMPLEX – WFU	CA	KNP	10,570	N/A	N/A	6	0	0	0	0	726K

INF = Inyo National Forest

**OUTLOOK:**

**Weather Discussion:** Warm and dry weather will prevail over the West under a strong high pressure ridge. However, another frontal system will produce rain over portions of the Pacific Northwest.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b> Patchy morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise mostly sunny with a few high clouds.	70 to 85 coastal areas. 75 to 90 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 85 to 95 upper desert. 95 to 105 low desert.	8 to 15% desert. 8 to 15% mountains. 10 to 20% valleys. 30 to 50% coast.	Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph, except southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph coastal areas.
<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA</b> Partly cloudy north, mostly clear south. Becoming clear all areas by late afternoon.	60s and 70s higher elevations and 80s lower elevations.	16 to 35%	Southwest to northwest 4 to 8 mph gusts 12 to 18 mph over the higher elevations in the afternoon.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

## ***Standard Fire Orders***

The NWCG approved a revision of the Standard Fire Orders, in accordance with their original arrangements. The orders are arranged according to their importance and grouped in logical sequence. Review and consider Standard Fire Orders as a part of every shift.

- Did you receive or request adequate weather briefing, current and predicted fire behavior, wind direction, predicted humidity, fuel moisture, local factor?
- Do you have map of the fire? Is topography, type of fuels, direction of the spread defined?
- Fire behavior group deals with what the firefighter will encounter - weather, fire status, fire behavior.
  1. Keep informed on fire weather conditions and forecasts.
  2. Know what your fire is doing at all times.
  3. Base all actions on current and expected behavior of the fire.
- Are you familiar with direction, distance, location, size of escape routes and safety zones?
- Discuss the need for lookout, such as extreme fire behavior, fire located out of line-of-sight.
- Discuss importance of the situational awareness.
- Fireline safety group emphasizes personal safety.
  4. Identify escape routes and safety zones and make them known.
  5. Post lookouts when there is possible danger.
  6. Be alert. Keep calm. Think clearly. Act decisively.
- Review importance and means of passing tactical decisions and resource movement.
- Review other factors influencing potential changes in tactics, which could affect control of your forces.
- Organizational Control group is centered around tactical decisions.
  7. Maintain prompt communications with your forces, your supervisor and adjoining forces.
  8. Give clear instructions and insure they are understood.
  9. Maintain control of your forces at all time.
- After you have considered, discussed and acted on the previous nine orders:
  10. Fight fire aggressively, having provided for safety first.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2				1		3
	ACRES	0				0		0
Northern California	FIRES					13	3	16
	ACRES					102	0	102
Southern California	FIRES					11	5	16
	ACRES					79	11	90
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			1	3	5
	ACRES		75			75	7	157
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						7	7
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		2					2
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						20	20
Southern Area	FIRES	1				1	1	3
	ACRES	12				1	51	64
TOTAL	FIRES	3	2	0	0	27	17	49
	ACRES	12	77	0	0	257	96	442

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	15	21	11	401	14	464
	ACRES	23	40,821	283,123	3,827	247,654	2	575,450
Northwest	FIRES	302	248	11	50	1,859	1,270	3,740
	ACRES	24,276	17,882	12	1,170	50,280	294,164	387,784
Northern California	FIRES	158	72	17	19	2,936	1,254	4,456
	ACRES	241	12,633	603	6,562	80,810	38,420	139,269
Southern California	FIRES	68	137	10	76	2,757	804	3,852
	ACRES	1,656	2,933	360	1,328	36,549	7,976	50,802
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,005	71	34	85	981	1,514	3,690
	ACRES	77,967	69,435	23,280	166,669	169,388	365,933	872,672
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	58	837	7	47	885	1,032	2,866
	ACRES	19,423	130,980	1,244	2,704	54,684	141,131	350,166
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	454	1	11	121	175	770
	ACRES	1	11,408	79	6	1,977	3,288	16,759
Southwest	FIRES	897	192	5	69	892	2,124	4,179
	ACRES	35,670	5,897	284	11,834	16,203	203,158	273,046
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	184	797	39	48	4,203	728	5,999
	ACRES	17,714	17,319	1,963	783	70,176	58,319	166,274
Eastern Area	FIRES	919		66	35	10,166	496	11,682
	ACRES	52,215		6,890	706	114,812	5,660	180,283
Southern Area	FIRES	152		46	13	12,226	351	12,788
	ACRES	21,816		12,130	769	193,283	8,943	236,941
TOTAL	FIRES	3,753	2,823	257	464	37,427	9,762	54,486
	ACRES	251,002	309,308	329,968	196,358	1,035,816	1,126,994	3,249,446

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>73,696</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,137,080</b>

\*\*\*Changes in some agency YTD agency acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments\*\*\*

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1,000	1,000
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						10	10
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						50	50
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						240	240
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1,300	1,300

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	28	100	24	3		236	391
	ACRES	5,351	25,450	5,835	123		34,783	71,542
Northern California	FIRES	2	7	112	18		133	272
	ACRES	31	267	21,734	2,483		10,798	35,313
Southern California	FIRES		2	5	9		170	186
	ACRES		27	698	3,335		13,675	17,735
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	10	92	4	42	402	562
	ACRES	502	6,972	12,767	760	2,441	28,031	51,473
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	32	7		14	49	103
	ACRES	18	32,277	409		2,328	17,078	52,110
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7		3		1	11
	ACRES		1,120		2,084		230	3,434
Southwest	FIRES	23	35	19	8	3	334	422
	ACRES	4,148	26,946	39,373	7,383	12	57,102	134,964
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	29	33	101	9	16	221	409
	ACRES	1,732	24,849	13,820	9,592	1,250	20,615	71,858
Eastern Area	FIRES	24		319	16	512	223	1,094
	ACRES	10,580		60,899	1,823	84,512	27,446	185,260
Southern Area	FIRES	53		273	103	16,007	1,245	17,681
	ACRES	19,379		96,239	83,799	827,577	941,805	1,968,799
TOTAL	FIRES	172	226	952	173	16,600	3,014	21,137
	ACRES	41,741	117,908	251,774	111,382	919,675	1,151,563	2,594,043

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			42,800				42,800
Northwest	FIRES				9		3	12
	ACRES				3,544		251	3,795
Northern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2	2
Southern California	FIRES	2			52		55	109
	ACRES	0			8,368		23,163	31,531
Northern Rockies	FIRES				3		74	77
	ACRES				602		56,807	57,409
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				6		32	38
	ACRES				435		15,433	15,868
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				10		19	29
	ACRES				3,555		159,608	163,163
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		26		2		3	31
	ACRES		1,646		0		1,869	3,515
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				10			10
	ACRES				2,715			2,715
TOTAL	FIRES	2	32	1	92	0	191	318
	ACRES	0	1,648	42,800	19,219	0	257,133	320,800

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**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest	1		3						4	
Northern California	2	14	5	22	3	1			3	27
Southern California	13		11	6	8				191	24
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin			7	1					6	
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area									15	
Total	16	14	26	29	11	1	0	0	219	51

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